

## DELIVERY WAGONS MAY BE NUMBERED

### Considered Remedy for Reckless Driving.

## MORE POLICEMEN NEEDED

### Force Has to Look After Territory, and Not Municipality, Says Sylvester.

Are the delivery wagons in this city to be numbered like the automobiles, so that their drivers may be easily apprehended by the police for reckless driving? This is the question raised by the report of Major Sylvester to District Commissioner West on the complaint of Representative Wiley that the present rate of speed at which these wagons travel is dangerous to the lives of pedestrians.

In commenting on the complaint Major Sylvester agrees with Mr. Wiley that there is much reckless driving. In order to stop it and to catch such drivers the major says all wagons should be conspicuously numbered. He points out that he has recommended such a course of action for several years.

**Wants Bigger Force.**  
Major Sylvester also says that, if Congress would increase the number of policemen for the District, better results would be accomplished, as this force has to look after a territory of the United States, and not a municipality.

During 1903, he says, "several hundred arrests were made for reckless driving," but a larger force would tend more to remedying the evil altogether. An improvement in the mounted and bicycle force, "which Congress has not up to the present allowed," is what the major wants.

He says 118 footmen patrol the sixty-nine square miles in the District by day, with 32 postmen, and 108 men doing special service. The full force of bicycle men amounts to only 10 men. The major guarantees to stop the reckless driving if Congress will give enough policemen and the Commissioners will cause the wagons to be numbered.

## TO DETERMINE PLANS FOR NEW STREETS

### Pierce Anderson Will Reach City Middle of Next Week.

The District Engineer Department has been informed that Pierce Anderson, supervising architect of the new Union Station, will reach this city the middle of next week, and will consult with the District authorities as to the final plans for the locations of the new streets in the neighborhood of the plaza that is to be in front of the station.

It is said that Mr. Anderson will oppose the plan brought forward by the Northeast Washington Citizens' Association for deflecting F Street so as to make it lead into the plaza. The original plans for this circle were drawn by Mr. Anderson, and he will not like the proposed change. It is thought, as all the engineers declare it to be inartistic and more expensive than the present plans.

## CENTRAL AMERICAN STATES IN ALLIANCE?

Conference in Progress on Gulf of Fonseca Between Representatives  
of Three Republics.

That the Central American States have formed a league is a report current here in diplomatic circles, due to dispatches announcing a conference on the Gulf of Fonseca, between the governments of Nicaragua, San Salvador, and Honduras, with reference to the Mosquito Indian trouble and the arrival of a British warship in Nicaraguan waters.

Senator Don Luis F. Corea, the Nicaraguan minister, is not in Washington now, having been summoned home about two weeks ago. There was much speculation over the fact that no sooner had he reached Washington after a long stay in Nicaragua than he was called home again, and it is believed that important diplomatic negotiations between the three South American countries are now in progress.

The British embassy officials say it is not true that the warship Retribution will bombard Bluefields after a long stay in Nicaragua, and that the Nicaraguan government does not release a half dozen Cayman fishermen who were seized with their boats.

## MAY PLACE A GATE AT BUNKER HILL CROSSING

According to the recommendation of Engineer Commissioner Biddle, the Brookland Citizens' Association will be informed that "the elimination of the grade crossing at the Bunker Hill Road cannot be carried out without a special appropriation from Congress, and the matter will be taken into consideration in preparing estimates for the next fiscal year."

The association will also be told that the District Engineer Department has taken up with the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company the question of a suitable gate for the crossing.

## DISTRICT BUYS LOTS FOR STATION PLAZA

Engineer Commissioner Biddle yesterday recommended that the offer of F. Walter Brandenburg to sell to the District lots 135 and 143 on California Street northeast for \$6,000, be accepted.

The lots are a part of the land which is to be obtained for the widening of California Street in connection with the street alterations near the plaza that is to be located in front of the new Union Station.

**FORCED TO PAY FOR JEWELS.**  
NEW HAVEN, April 23.—State Senator Sturges Whitlock, who is president of the Connecticut Baseball League, has been ordered to pay the claim of a local jewelry firm, amounting to about \$1,000, for jewelry purchased by his wife just before they were married.

## CRITENTON MISSION CONFERENCE TODAY

Mass Meeting Will Be Held in First Congregational Church  
and Services Will Continue Until Friday.

The twenty-first annual conference of the National Florence Crittenton Mission will begin this afternoon with a mass meeting in the First Congregational Church, Tenth and G Streets northwest. The conference will continue from day to day until Friday next. The business sessions of the organization will be held in Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church, and after the organization of the body tomorrow morning the delegates will call on President Roosevelt at the White House.

The Florence Crittenton Mission was organized under the laws of the State of New York in 1883, and has since been chartered by special act of Congress. A branch of the mission was established in Washington several years ago, and in other large cities throughout the country. Reports from the superintendents of all the branches of the mission will be made at the conference.

**Officers and Trustees.**  
The officers and trustees of the organization are: Charles N. Crittenton, president; Kate Walker Barrett, vice president and general superintendent; Emma Robertson, secretary; Franklin B. Waterman, treasurer and secretary of the executive committee; R. H. McKim, James T. Petty, and M. N. Kline, trustees. The meeting this afternoon will be attended by all the delegates who have arrived in Washington and other friends of the organization.

The exercises will be in charge of Mrs. Sarah D. La Fetra, superintendent of the local branch of the Florence Crittenton Mission, and the devotional service will be conducted by the Rev. S. M. Newman, pastor of the First Congregational Church.

The principal address at the mass meeting will be made by the Rev. Edwin Markham, author of "The Man With the Hoe." Brief addresses will also be made by President Crittenton, Mrs. Barrett, and others who have taken prominent parts in prosecuting the work of the mission since its formation.

## A VERY BUSY DAY FOR THE PRESIDENT

Many Visitors, Conferences, Official  
Acts, Etc., Make Work  
Plenty.

The President experienced yesterday one of the busiest days since he came into office.

The selection of a governor for Porto Rico was made. The Roosevelt Indian Reservation bill was signed. Discussions on various matters were had with Senators Lodge, Heyburn, Clapp, and Proctor, and Representatives Wadsworth, Humphries, Meyer, and others. District Commissioners Macfarland and West had his ear on matters, and a great many members of both houses called to present matters were had with Senator Lodge. The President received and shook hand with 125 students from the West Chester (Pa.) State Normal College, and 120 students from Howard University.

Among those personally presented to the President were Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Whittier, and Sylvester Baxton, of Boston, who were introduced by Representative Powers; Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Kenny, friends of Representative Brooks, and Minister and Mrs. Beaupre, and Mr. and Mrs. Dixon.

Mrs. Dixon is the daughter of Minister Beaupre, who married Mr. Dixon in Bogota while the latter was the British minister there. Mr. and Mrs. Dixon are en route to London. The Beaupre party were presented by Senator Hopkins.

## MR. VANDERBILT QUILTS AUTOMOBILE RACING

Sells \$40,000 Worth of Machines Because Strain of Sport is Undesirable.

NEW YORK, April 23.—William K. Vanderbilt, Jr. has disposed of \$40,000 worth of automobiles since his return from Florida, where he broke the world's record for a mile a few months ago.

He no longer owns the ninety horsepower Mercedes with which he accomplished his feat, nor does he own the sixty horsepower Mors, with which he started Europe.

The sale of all his flyers is due to the urgent solicitation of his friends that he abandon automobile racing entirely. They have told him the strain is telling on his health and that he will break down if he does not give it up.

## RED MAN'S BONES IN A CELLAR HOLE

BURLINGTON, N. J., April 23.—While digging a cellar on the Ellis property on North High Street this morning, Ellwood Colkitt unearthed several human bones, supposed to be the remains of an Indian, the section having once been an Indian burying ground.

## ALIGHTED ON BARBED WIRE.

WAYNE, April 23.—In a runaway here last night, E. J. Wendell, a well-known citizen, seventy years old, an expert bowler, was thrown from his carriage upon a barbed-wire fence. His arm was badly torn and his shoulder dislocated.

## Socialia Cured After Twenty Years of Torture.

For more than twenty years Mr. J. B. Massey, of 322 Clinton Street, Minneapolis, Minn., was tortured by sciatica. The pain and suffering which he endured during this time is beyond comprehension. Nothing gave him any permanent relief until he used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. One application of this liniment relieved his pain. He was able to sleep and rest peacefully, and less than one bottle has effected a permanent cure. Mr. Massey relates his experience for the benefit of others who may be similarly afflicted. If troubled with sciatica or rheumatism, do not try a second bottle of Pain Balm, and see for yourself how quickly it relieves the pain. For sale by all druggists.

Among the delegates who will attend the conference are many eminent clergymen from different parts of the United States, who have always taken a deep interest in humanitarian work. Many of these will occupy the pulpits of the local churches at the services this morning and tonight.

**The Official Program.**  
The following is the program arranged for today:

Morning service—Rhode Island Avenue M. P. Church, the Rev. Walker Lewis, D. D., Little Rock, Ark.; Trinity Episcopal Church, Third and C Streets northwest, the Rev. J. W. Bedford Jones, Columbus, Ohio; Ninth Street Christian Church, corner Ninth and D Streets northwest, the Rev. C. S. Carr, Ohio; Trinity M. E. Church, Fifth and C Streets southeast, S. H. Hadley, New York City; Wesley M. E. Church, corner Fifth and F Streets northwest, Charles N. Crittenton, New York; Anacostia M. E. Church, corner Jackson and Pierce Streets, O. S. Booth, New York.

Night service—North Carolina M. P. Church, North Carolina Avenue and Eighth Street southeast, Mrs. S. A. Jones, Norfolk, Va.; Epiphany Episcopal Church, G Street near Fairmount, Charles N. Crittenton; First Baptist Church, corner Sixteenth and O Streets northwest, Lawrence Greenwood, Massachusetts; First Presbyterian Church, Four-and-a-half and C and D Streets, Dr. C. S. Carr; St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Potomac Street and Kenesaw Avenue, the Rev. J. W. Bedford Jones; St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Twenty-third Street, between Pennsylvania Avenue and I Street, James K. Bakewell, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Epiphany M. P. Church, Seventh and F Streets northeast, S. H. Hadley; Wesley M. E. Church, corner Fifth and F Streets northwest, Charles N. Crittenton; Union Mission, Louisiana Avenue, near Seventh Street northwest, O. B. Newman, New York; Central Union Mission, Saturday night, James R. Johnson, New York; Open-door Mission, D Street southwest, midnight and open-air meeting, by visiting workers; Metropolitan M. E. Church, the Rev. Frank Bristol, D. D., will preach a sermon on the "Church's Duty to the Outcasts."

## DISTRICT AUTHORITIES COMMEND SEWER BILL

Cost of Improvements Will Now Be  
More Equitably Distributed  
It Is Thought.

The bill recently passed by both branches of Congress, and now requiring only the signature of the President to make it a law, requiring assessments for sewer construction in the District to be levied at the rate of \$1 per front foot on the adjoining property, has received the highest commendation by the District authorities.

Under the law now in effect, sewers are laid by assessing the property owners benefited half the cost of such work. This assessment, however, was only made when the sewers in question were twelve inches or less in diameter. When they exceeded this figure they were paid for out of general appropriations for the District made by Congress. This, of necessity, brought a heavy expense on the District treasury.

When there is a flat assessment of \$1 per front foot for such sewer work, it is thought the cost of these improvements will be more equitably settled than ever before. The drain on the District finances will not be so great, and the citizens will profit by the arrangement.

## FORGER WHEN DRUNK; HONEST IF SOBER

Kansas City "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde"  
Lands in the Penitentiary.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 23.—Because he took one drink today and then many more until he was drunk, Thomas Regan must serve five years in the penitentiary. Regan is fifty years old. He has a habit of going on sprees, and whenever he gets drunk he forges checks. Sober, he is an honest, hard working man; drunk, he is a forger. He was convicted of forgery two months ago, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Judge Wofford, to give the old man a chance to reform, paroled him on condition that he leave whisky alone. "There's one drink of whisky between you and the penitentiary," said the judge. "You leave whisky alone and I'll leave you free to work and be a good citizen. Take one drink and let me find it out and your sentence of five years will be enforced."

## BOOTS-LADEN THIEVES VICTIMS OF ROBBERS

WILKEBARE, Pa., April 23.—Two burglars who were arrested at Scranton today, charged with robbing the cigar store of Thomas McAndrew, complained to the police that as they were leaving the store with the stolen goods they were set upon by other burglars armed with blackjacks.

When they refused to turn over what they had taken they were beaten with blackjacks, and the money forcibly taken from them. The two suspects are held.

## WOMEN OF ICELAND TO MAKE EXHIBIT

ST. LOUIS, April 23.—The first participation by the women of Iceland in an international movement will be at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. The women of Kjobenhavn have completed the collection of a fine exhibit which they will send to the fair.

## PRUSSIAN DIET PLANS TO APPEASE THE POLES

BERLIN, April 23.—The Prussian diet has sanctioned an appropriation of 5,500,000 marks (\$1,275,000) for the erection of a palace for the Emperor at Posen.

## TO COMPLETE PLOT OF OBSERVATORY CIRCLE.

The District Ready to Sell  
Appropriation of \$194,404 by Congress  
Is Required Before Negotiations  
Can Go Through.

George S. Wilson, secretary of the Board of Commissioners, has announced that a recent conference between himself and representatives of the Navy Department showed that the naval authorities favor the project of paying the District \$194,404 for the land and buildings that belong to the Industrial Home School and lie within the limits of the 23-acre circle around the Naval Observatory.

The limits of this circle were laid out several years ago by the United States authorities, and since then the Navy Department has been busy buying all the land embraced in the plot, the department being to establish an area of absolute quiet around the Observatory.

**Appropriation Needed.**  
The only thing needed to consummate the purchase of the 6,764 acres and the eleven buildings belonging to the District within the circle is for Congress to appropriate the necessary amount of money. Early last winter Rear Admiral C. M. Chester, representing the Navy Department, and Secretary Willson, acting for the District government, secured the \$194,404 in a suitable price for the land and houses.

No serious attempt was made this year to have Congress appropriate the money, as the naval authorities say they experience no inconvenience from the Industrial Home School, and think they stand a better chance for the appropriation next session. Their desire is to obtain possession of the land within the next year or two.

**Last of the Parcels.**  
The purchase of the District's acres will give the Navy Department absolute control of the twenty-five-acre circle, as the remainder of it has been purchased already, the unimproved land for it having cost about \$146,000. When this sale is made, the District will establish the Industrial Home School in another location, which has not yet been decided on.

"What we are waiting for now," said Commissioner Macfarland yesterday, "is some action on the part of the Navy Department. We are ready to act when they are."

It is understood that it is the design of the navy authorities at present to use the buildings vacated by the school, two of which are outside the limits of the circle. For these two the Navy Department will probably pay a small annual rental. After the sale of the land to the United States the District will still have about seven acres left fronting on Wisconsin Avenue. This ground will be sold in lots for building.

**VERMONT TIPPLERS ON  
JAMAICA GINGER DRUNK**  
Grocer Who Sold Drug to Thirty Citizens Is Convicted Under  
the License Law.

RUTLAND, Vt., April 23.—The excessive drinking of Jamaica ginger, which has been going on for many years in the little town of West Rutland, has been effectually broken up by the conviction of Herman Krinsky, who kept a grocery store and supplied the inhabitants of the town with their beverage.

Krinsky was convicted under the new Vermont liquor laws, which he sold found that the ginger which he sold contained 50 per cent of alcohol. He had piled his trade for many years without molestation under the old prohibition laws.

There have been many arrests for drunkenness of late where the men obtained their jags entirely on Jamaica ginger. Hereafter the liquor will be sold only by licensed saloonkeepers.

## FOR THE COMPILATION OF PENSION STATUTES

A compilation of all the pension laws of the United States, to be made under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior and presented to Congress at its next meeting, in December, with the department's suggestion of what should be done to bring all the present pension laws into harmony, is the subject of a resolution introduced in the Senate yesterday by Mr. McCumber, chairman of the Senate Committee on Pensions.

Mr. McCumber asked that the resolution be printed so that Senators could find out what was intended before they were asked to vote upon the matter, and this was done.

A written report was submitted by Mr. McCumber from the Pensions Committee, to accompany the resolution.

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## State Wardens Enforce A Disheartening Law

Fishermen or Other Liars Can't Claim  
Strings of Over Fifty Trout Per  
Day in Pennsylvania.

HARRISBURG, Pa., April 23.—It is a crime, it seems, to tell untrue fish stories, and officials of the State department of fisheries have taken it upon themselves to enforce the law.

Last Friday was opening day for trout stories, and an enterprising Altoona correspondent, not to be outshone by rivals, telegraphed to several newspapers the yarn that a Philadelphia and an ex-sheriff of Huntingdon had come home with eighty-three and seventy-eight trout respectively.

Fifty trout constitute the legal limit of a day's catch, and the fish wardens "went after" the "lawbreakers." It was all untrue, for the fishermen nam-

ed had not even been trout fishing. So the fish wardens sought the Altoona Munchausen.

"It was all a joke," said the correspondent. "Then you'll have to go before a magistrate and swear you lied, and that these men did nothing of the sort, or we will punish you under the law that lays a penalty on the purveyor of false and misleading information," said one of the wardens to Munchausen. He reluctantly complied, and his affidavit is said to be on private exhibition at the department of fisheries. It would not be strange if it should find its way to the World's Fair.

## ELEPHANT HOLDS UP RAILWAY TRAFFIC

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., April 23.—An elephant en route to the World's Fair threw himself half way out of a box car near here in an effort to obtain his liberty, and by refusing to get back into the car caused a delay of five hours to railway traffic.

## SON SHOTS MOTHER AFTER VIOLENT QUARREL

SUFFOLK, Va., April 23.—Word from Courtland, Va., says Willis Gaston, twenty-five years old, shot and almost instantly killed his mother, Sallie Gaston.

Although the son says the matricide was an accident, it is asserted that they quarreled violently a short time before the killing.

## COMPTROLLER TO DECIDE DAMAGE TO FARMERS

The District Commissioners have asked the Comptroller of the Treasury to decide out of what appropriation the District is to pay the \$100 due certain farmers near Leesburg for damages done their crops and fences while the District militia was encamped near that town in the summer of 1903.

The money is due for corn and millet crops injured, and for boards torn from fences and outhouses.

## AGED ILLINOIS MAN TAKES DUSKY BRIDE

STERLING, Ill., April 23.—A wedding was celebrated here before Justice Leach late last night, in which Mordichea Sampson, white, and sixty-three years of age, and Charlotia Martin, colored, aged twenty, were married.

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